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SUBJECT: PORTUGAL-SPAIN MARITIME BOUNDARY

REF: STATE 23172; LISBON 1339

1. APPARENTLY CERTAIN DEGREE OF CONFUSION EXISTS BETWEEN SPANISH AND PORTUGUESE ON STATUS OF MARITIME BOUNDARY AGREEMENT. IN RESPONSE OUR REQUEST SPANISH FOREIGN MINISTRY ON FEBRUARY 9 FORWARDED COPY OF "SPANISH-PORTUGUESE CONVENTION ON DELIMITATION OF THE CONTINENTAL PLATFORM", SIGNED FEBRUARY 12, 1976, AT GUARDA, PORTUGAL. ACCOMPANYING NOTE STATES THAT AGREEMENT "WILL ENTER INTO FORCE UPON EXCHANGE OF INSTRUMENTS OF RATIFICATION."

2. EMBOFF CALLED ON RESPONSIBLE OFFICIALS AT MFA IN ATTEMPT CLARIFY STATUS OF RATIFICATION. ACCORDING TO MFA, BOTH THIS AGREEMENT AND AGREEMENT ON DELIMITATION OF TERRITORIAL SEAS, WHICH WAS SIGNED AT SAME TIME PLACE AS MARITIME BOUNDARY AGREEMENT, HAVE BEEN FULLY RATIFIED BY GOS AND SPANISH ARE NOW WAITING FOR PORTUGUESE TO SAY WHEN EXCHANGE SHOULD TAKE PLACE. EXCHANGE MUST TAKE PLACE IN MADRID, ACCORDING TO TERMS OF BOTH AGREEMENTS, AS SIGNING TOOK PLACE IN PORTUGAL. MFA OFFICIALS DECLINED TO PREDICT WHEN EXCHANGE MIGHT TAKE PLACE OR TO SPECULATE ON REASONS FOR DELAY BY PORTUGUESE.

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3. EMBASSY HAS REQUESTED COPY OF AGREEMENT ON TERRITORIAL SEAS, WHICH WILL BE FORWARDED WITH CONTINENTAL SHELF BOUNDARY AGREEMENT WHEN RECEIVED. EMBOFF DID NOT GRASP FINER TECHNICAL POINTS, BUT MFA OFFICIALS SAID THAT SPAIN AND PORTUGAL HAD AGREED TO USE "GOOMETRIC" SYSTEM FOR DELIMITATION OF TERRITORIAL SEAS, IN ESSENCE BY CONSTRUCTION OF PERPENDICULAR DIVIDING LINE FROM

CENTER POINT OF TWO RIVERS WHICH CONSTITUTE BOUNDARY IN NORTH
AND SOUTH. PRECISE LIMITS SHOULD BE EVIDENT FROM TERMS OF
AGREEMENT. STABLER

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